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| PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a) | | | Docket No. (Optional) 426882000400 | |
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| In re Application of Robert M. BERTON et al. | | | | |
| | Application Number | | Filed | |
| | 09/668,849 | · · | September 22, 2000 | |
| For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR AN ELECTONIC PROCUREME SYSTEM FOR STATE GOVERNMENTS | | | | |
| | Art Unit 3625 | E | xaminer R. E. Rhode | |
| This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application. | | | | |
| The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired): | | | | |
| One month (37 CFR 1.17 | (a)(1)) | | \$ | |
| Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2)) | | | \$ | |
| X Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3)) | | | \$ 950.00 | |
| Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4)) | | | \$ | |
| Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5)) | | | \$ | |
| Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is | | | | |
| reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ | | | | |
| A check in the amount of the fee is enclosed. | | | | |
| Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. | | | | |
| The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account. | | | | |
| X The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any | | | | |
| overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 03-1952 | | | | |
| I-have-enclosed a duplicate-copy of this sheet. Fee Transmittal form (PTO/SB/17) is attached to this submission in duplicate. | | | | |
| I am the applicant/inventor. | | | | |
| assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71. | | | | |
| Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96). | | | | |
| attorney or agent of record. Registration Number | | | | |
| | under 37 CFR 1.34(a). | | 40.400 | |
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| NOTE: Signatures of all the inventors or assignees of record of the entire interest or their representative(s) are required. Submit multiple forms if more than one signature is required, see below | | | | |
| X Total of 1 | forms are submitted. | | | |

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